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OF E1-DELETED ADENOVIRUSES IN ABSENCE OF  
REPLICATION COMPETENT ADENOVIRUS

Mail Stop Amendment  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 35 U.S.C. §§ 121 AND 372**

Sir:

This is filed in response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2004, which requires restriction of the claims. Please enter the following election of claims as set forth below.

**Election** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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**ELECTION**

Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the claims of Group I, which are claims 1-9.